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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Isao SENDO et al.**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 12, 2004 for 1 month from November 12, 2004 to December 12, 2004.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the cost of the extension. If any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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